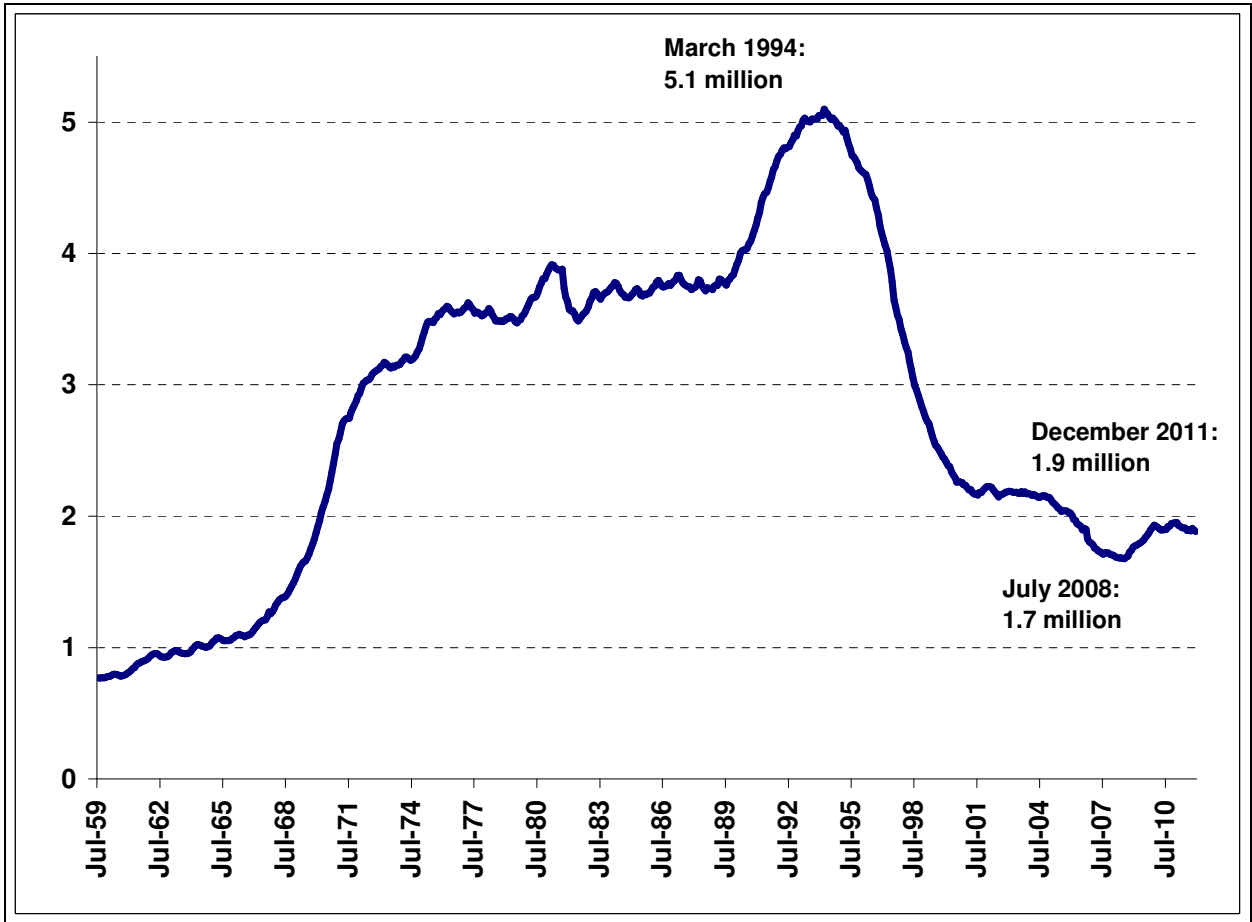


**Figure 7-2. Number of Families Receiving Cash Assistance: 1959-2011**



**Source:** Congressional Research Service (CRS) based on data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Prepared on August 30, 2012, for the 2012 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book.

**Note:** Data for October 1999 through December 2011 include families receiving assistance under “separate state programs” funded with state TANF maintenance of effort (MOE) dollars.